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Applicant: Wai Ming Choi

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Dear Sir:

This communication is filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination. For the Examiner's convenience, a copy of the pending claims is attached hereto. No amendments are made.

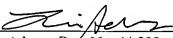
In a telephone interview with the Examiner on February 12, 2007, the Examiner agreed that a declaration showing that the claimed gamma value is a direct result of adjusting the pH of a slurry during formation of a filter media would be sufficient to overcome the pending rejections. Applicant therefore submits herewith a 1.132 Declaration of Wai Ming Choi. The declaration includes experimental data that shows that a filter media formed from a slurry *without* adjusting the pH does *not* have a gamma value of at least about 14, as compared to the data in Example 1 of the pending application which illustrates that adjusting the pH produces a filter media having a gamma value of at least about 14. The data in the attached Declaration, when compared to the data in Example 1 of the pending application, thus conclusively proves that adjusting the pH of the slurry is a direct result of

the claimed gamma value. The references relied on by the Examiner to reject the pending claims therefore cannot inherently teach the claimed gamma value because they do not teach a filter media that is formed from a slurry of glass wool fibers having a pH that is adjusted from an acidic pH to a neutral pH.

In conclusion, Applicant submits that all claims are now in condition for allowance, and allowance thereof is respectfully requested. The Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned attorney for Applicant if such communication is deemed to expedite prosecution of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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